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For: WASHING MACHINE WITH ION ELUTING  
AND IMBALANCE CORRECTING UNITS

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims**

**Remarks/Arguments**